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## **ABSTRACT**

An individual authentication system is disclosed, by which the data processing device which needs the individual authentication can be used and managed with higher security. The individual authentication system for authenticating the user of a data processing device storing a password comprises an individual authentication card for storing biological information and a password for identifying a registered user; a card reader for reading out and outputting the biological information and the password stored in the card; a biological information input device for inputting biological information from a user and outputting the information; and a collating unit for respectively collating the biological information and the password output from the card reader with the biological information output from the biological information input device and the password stored in the data processing device.